Mountain Weather Forecast

Snowdonia National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 19 Dec 2020 until 23:59 on Sunday 20 Dec 2020

Forecast Issued on Friday 18 Dec 2020 at 14:23

Confidence: High confidence in general outline of the forecast for the beginning of the period some uncertainty by the middle of next week in the synoptic pattern.

Headline for Saturday 19 Dec 2020: A showery day with Southwesterly gales or severe gales on the mountains.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 19 Dec 2020

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain showers (night)	Heavy rain showers	Light rain showers	Sleet showers	Sleet showers	Sleet showers
Precipitation probability							
70%	70%	50%	50%	50%	50%	40%	40%

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Weather: Bands of blustery showers will push across the Snowdonia during Saturday, showers will group together at times to give longer periods of rain. Some of the showers will be heavy with the risk of thunder and lightning at times. Showers will become more wintery in the afternoon as freezing level lowers to around 1000m. There will be a few brighter or sunny intervals out with showers.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 50%, scattered cloud will shroud the hill tops at times especially during heavier showers but this cloud will move through except on some of the more southwesterly mountain tops where cloud may linger for much of the day around 600m

Visibility: Visibility will be good out with showers however visibility will dip to moderate or poor at times in showers particularly in the afternoon or any sleet or snow showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	35/45 S	34/45 SW	38/49 S	40/53 S	39/54 SW	40/55 S	38/52 SW	38/52 SW	36/50 SW
600	26/35 S	26/36 S	26/37 S	30/44 S	29/43 SW	30/44 S	27/40 SW	27/40 SW	25/39 SW
300	16/30 S	16/31 S	17/32 S	20/38 S	19/37 S	20/39 S	17/34 SW	17/35 SW	17/34 SW
Valley	16/29 S	16/29 S	17/31 S	20/36 S	20/36 S	21/39 S	17/33 SW	18/34 SW	17/33 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	5/-2	4/-3	3/-5	3/-5	2/-6	2/-6	2/-6	2/-6	2/-6
600	7/1	6/0	5/-1	5/-2	4/-2	4/-3	4/-2	4/-2	4/-2
300	9/5	8/4	7/3	7/3	7/2	6/2	6/2	6/2	6/2
Valley	10/6	9/6	8/5	8/4	8/4	8/4	8/4	8/4	7/3
Freezing Level*	1600m	1300m	1300m	1200m	1100m	1100m	1100m	1100m	1100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Southerly gales at height will strengthen further in the afternoon and evening, gusts will be strongest around the heavier showers. Note the freezing level lowering during the day turning showers wintery on the mountain tops later.

Forecast for Sunday 20 Dec 2020

Weather: Another showery outlook on Sunday although showers are likely to be mainly light and move through quite quickly with visibility only dipping a little as showers affect the hills. Showers are likely to be wintery on the tops with freezing level around 900m. Some long sunny or bright spells throughout the day and some areas will see very few showers.

Maximum wind: Southwesterly 20-25mph gusts 35-40 mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60%, there will be periods of time when cloud falls below the tops however this should be short lived with good opportunities for views across the Snowdonia.

Visibility: Mainly good but becoming moderate in showers and poor in any sleet or snow showers.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 7 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 1 Celsius.
Freezing level: 900m

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Ground Conditions Supplement
No recent ground conditions report available.

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